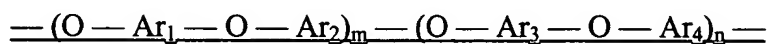
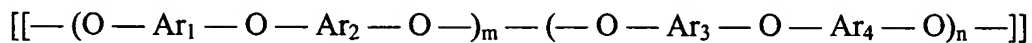


Amendment to the Abstract

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A poly(arylene ether) polymer includes polymer repeat units of the following structure:



where Ar_1 , Ar_2 , Ar_3 , and Ar_4 are identical or different aryl radicals, m is 0.05 to 0.95, n is 1- m , and at least one of the aryl radicals is grafted to at least one hydroxyalkyl group, such as 2-undecanol. The polymer is especially useful in electrically conductive adhesives.